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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants bring the disclosures attached and listed on completed Form PTO-1449 to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application.

Enclosed is a copy of the International Preliminary Report for PCT/JP2004/016777.

JP-A-509591/1997 corresponds to WO 95/22356. JP-A-539281/2002 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,605,673. JP-A-342963/2000 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,797,893. JP-A-213735 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,164,459.

In accordance with the amendments to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a) (revisions effective October 21, 2004) and as discussed in the October 19, 2004 Official Gazette (1287 OG 163), copies of U.S. patents and published applications cited on the attached Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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